providing financial assistance under the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) and Drinking Water Supply component of the Prime Minister's Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY). The details of funds allocated, released and utilised in respect of the State of Assam under ARWSP and PMGY during the last two years and current year, as per the information received till 16.11.2001 are as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	ARWSP			PMGY*		
	Allocation	Release	Utilisation	Allocation	Release	Utilisation
1999-2000	41.80	20.90	55.65	—	—	—
2000-01	73.72	54.60	39.26	33.01	13.47	—
2001-02	75.61	37.805	14.11	30.51	15.255	—

*PMGY was introduced in 2000-01

District-wise allocation of funds within the State is done by the State Government, the details of which are not maintained at the central level.

Rural water supply projects undertaken under RGDWM in Andhra Pradesh

2561. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of rural water supply projects taken up in Andhra Pradesh under Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission for which Government supplemented financial assistance during the last five year, year-wise and project-wise;

(b) what is the present status of these projects;

(c) whether some more projects have been sanctioned for the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL): (a) and (b) Drinking water supply being a state subject, schemes

for providing drinking water facilities to rural habitations are implemented by the States from their own resources. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the States by providing financial assistance under the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) and Drinking Water Supply component of the Prime Minister's Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY). The State Governments have the full powers to plan, sanction and implement individual rural drinking water supply schemes. Hence, details regarding number of project taken up by the State Government with the above funds are not maintained at the central level. Government of India used to sanction project under submission programme prior to 1st April 1998 for providing safe drinking water to quality affected habitations. Further, community participation in the rural Water Supply Programme are also being sanctioned by the Government of India. Information regarding various projects in Andhra Pradesh sanctioned by Government of India during last five year is given below:

Year	No. of Projects sanctioned	Type of Projects	Status
1	2	3	4
1997-98	22	5 Sub-mission projects for fluoride affected habitations 5 Sub-mission projects for brackishness affected habitations 12 Sub-mission projects for habitations affected by both brackishness/salinity and fluoride	9 projects have been completed. As per the information furnished by Government of Andhra Pradesh, the project implementation in respect of 2 Submission project on brackishness; 3 Submission project on fluoride and 8 submission projects on both fluoride and brackishness is in progress and is expected to be completed latest by March 2002.
1998-99	—	—	—
1999-2000	—	—	—

1	2	3	4
2000-01	4	Sector Reform Projects in Chittoor, Khammam, Nalgonda and Prakasam	Project implementation in progress.
2001-02	1	Sector Reform Projects in Nellore.	Just commenced.

(c) The Powers to sanction project under the submission project has been delegated to the State Government with effect from 1.4.1998. No further Sector Reform Projects are under consideration to be sanctioned for Andhra Pradesh.

(d) Does not arise.

Setting up grain banks in villages

2562. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether grain banks are to be set up in villages;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how it would help the rural poor in providing food security?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU): (a) to (c) A Central Sector Scheme for setting up of village grain banks in tribal villages was launched in 1996-97 in selected areas out of the areas identified by the Central Planning Committee (CPC) as a preventive measure against starvation deaths in such areas. The Scheme provides that villagers in the selected identified areas can form a committee and set up a grain bank in the the village. The Ministry of Tribal Affairs is to provide one time grant for setting up the Grain Bank at the rate of 100 Kgs of locally consumed food grains per family. The members can borrow from this Bank in times of need and repay as per the terms decided by the Committee.